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Chris –

Thank you for this clear and reassuring email as well as the proactive outreach to Hugo.

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Dan Dudak and I spoke with Hugo Garcia earlier to explain that we did not consider this to be an emergency at this time, but that we expect the operator to treat the need to repair this leak with urgency so that it doesn't get worse, and to prevent any further gas emissions. We explained residents may notice the sound of rushing water in pipes from the drill site as the operator begins bleeding gas from the well into the piping and vessels that makes up the gas handling equipment within the facility, but the system itself is close and should not be putting off emissions. We also told him residents may notice thermal waves above the micro turbines within the facility when the units are running, but probably wouldn't hear them since they run very quiet (approx. 49 dB). Hugo has my cell phone number if he has any questions, or has concerns about what they are observing.

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Thanks Chris – do you know how this is impacting the surrounding community? Has AllenCo or anyone from your office sent out a notification?

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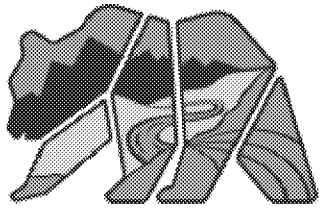
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All:

During a routine inspection on Friday, September 13, 2019, DOGGR discovered a small gas leak on one of the well heads at AllenCo Energy. Initial attempts by AllenCo to stop the leak were unsuccessful Friday afternoon. AllenCo has stated they will need to bleed the gas pressure off the well before they can successfully repair the leak. AllenCo monitored the well over the weekend and DOGGR reinspected the well this morning and observed no change in the leak. AllenCo stated they will need to start the gas turbine generators to burn excess gas during the well bleed down. AllenCo is currently preparing their facility to perform this operation. DOGGR has reinforced its position that AllenCo must do everything necessary to make the well safe.

Please let me know if you have any question.



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